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MIGHWAYMAN robbed a jewelry

tman of \$75 and overlooked a neet interesting comment on the pische would doubtless be that of the publish himself, and unfortunately this is not available.

Is the man who humps his shoulors over the bicycle handle-bars ould only see himself once as others on him, he would sit up straight about the bid of the hand to run a tool ramrod inside his shirt collar and down along his spine.

The Philadelphia Times says: "It cointy that so many women have well melodious voices, that excelent thing in woman." That must be they are trained from child-man to disturb the holy bush.

FIELD's Washington tells of man at the fair who sericalled the midway plaisance madway appliance." There's ag about the average Ameri-Even if he can't pronounce a to always ready to make a

the cheeve that the statement is the rounds that "Mrs. Olive house Miller, the writer on birds, is not know one bird from another stil she was pust middle age." This ierroscous. Mrs. Miller learned to the chicken from turkey at a comtirely early ago.

ERGLAND, having observed with alous eye the affection between swin and France, has steamed athward and shed a sisterly tear ove the neck of fair Italia. Such ly unselfish affection among and till one gets a chance to take ad-racings of the other.

THE year grows old she tries to sal her age by putting on gay s. She comes out in flaunting estation of the control of the contr

It is remarkable that some of the at important improvements in the construction haven't been ap-les yet for the improvement of mry carriages. This is a very seventive old world after all, and takes a long time to get it out of a or a good many years.

olds wants the American copie to turn the island where his of American pantheon, with attack of men who have made this country great from Washington down. M. Bartholdi doesn't say so, but he is probably willing to do the artistic work—at a fitting pecuniary

Ten volatile French people let the corpecs of Gounod and MacMahonwith honors—lie unburied, their seaths unwers, unsung, while they, the people, indecently fawned upon and careused with the visiting seamon of Ruseti, in whose eyes and the eyes of the world they are making a "boly spectacle" of themselves.

Wattz France is trying to make a partnership with Russia whether or so the ear is prospecting around in the Funire and seems in a very fair very to pull on a conflict with England. Fiirtations France had best put "a bit out" how she buys a Russia pig in a point; she may find out of the has irrotrievably involved that the has been buying all out trouble unawares.

MAL MacManon, who played pleasing 5 part in the France-bury, is dead at the age of it is easy a little more than along that great it yet such have been the

#### BESIDE THE BAY OF MONTEREY.

Beside the bay of Monterey, When morn is on the mountains, What joy to hear and know not fear, The cry of scaborn fountains!

Across the hay of Monterey
The sea for, thinly drifting.
The land reveals or shore conceals,
Soft scenes, like magic, shifting.

Deside the tay of Monterey
How sweet to walk at even.
When softened dyes from sunset skies
Steal up the sapphire heaven!

Along the reach of rocky beach Oh, joy it is to follow, Where blooms the sea anemone in every waveworn hollow. On giant rock that fronts the shock

The spray wet grasses glisten. There breaks the wave on cliff and cave The flowers bend and listen. I count the years by all my tears And all life's stormy weather. Since by the bay of Monterey We wandered, love, together.

I walk along the changing shore, Oh, sad and strange it seems! And if you hear the billows roar, You hear them but in dreams. For you have slept now many a day Upon the shore of Montercy. Scarah L. Stillwell in Overland Monthly.

Progs Ent Waspe.

Some time ago I discovered accidentally that frogs are voracious eaters of wasps. I have in my garden a tank for watering, with an island of rockwork, which is a favorite haunt of the frogs.

The wasps, just now are carrying on a raid against my fruit, and when I wish to gratify at once my revenge and my days to do't?" "Half a guinea," was the to gratify at once my revenge and my frogs I catch a marander between a post card and an inverted wine glass, carry him off to the tank, wet his wings to pre-vent his flying, and set him on the rockwork before the frogs.

disappeared, drawn into the frog's mouth by a single dart of his long tongue. Ocensionally the wasp reappears, wholly or partially, having made it unpleasant for the frog, but he is almost always swallowed in the end. Usually convulsive movements may be noticed in the frog's throat and body, as though the process of deglutition were not quite easy, but that they like the diet is evident from the fact that a single smallish frog has er another.

Indeed it is remarkable what very a wasp with avidity. This afternoon a swor, but sat grimly on. tiny frog swallowed a full grown wasp. savagely, like a big schoolboy thrashing who, according to the story, sat watch-a small one for presuming to be helped ing what would happen. When they a small one for presuming to be helped before him.—R. E. Bartlett in London Spectator.

To Recognize War Operators bill introduced in the senate by Mr. Bill of New York provides for the rec- smoke and shall light another cigar." ognition of the services of the men who curing the war in the capacity of telegraph operators, and who, although they may have served all through the great struggle, frequently exposed to the dangers of war and engaged in the most hazardous of under-takings, have never been classified as egraph lines during the war of the re-bellion are declared to have been a part of the army of the United States, and the secretary of war is directed to prepare a roll of such persons, and to issue to each upon application, unless it shall appear that his service was not credit-ably performed, a certificate of honor-able discharge reciting the act and the term and character of the service. The bill expressly provides that it shall not be construed to entitle the persons mentioned to any pay, allowance, bounty or pension other than that heretofore received by them.

Zola to a Young Woman. Amid the bountiful honors which have recently been bestowed upon Zola in England a good deal of comment has been excited by his reply to a young woman sho asked him point blank if he would recommend her to read his books. The novelist sent this reply:

MADEMOISPILLE—As long as a young lady is unmarried she is under the care of her parents. When she marries, she will do well to consult her husband. My view is that you may read my books, provided your parents or your hus-band gives you leave.

The critics want to know whether Zola is still so deep in the slough of medireval-ism as to think that a woman who may take the responsibility of marriage may not choose the literature which she will

Rate In the White House.

Just now the executive mansion is troubled with a plague of rats. They run all over the place and are especially numerous in Mr. Cleveland's office and in the sucred domains of Private Secretary Thurber. The rodents gambol marrily over Mr. Thurbor's writing tary Thurber. The roleuts gambol merrily over Mr. Thurber's writing table and cause much uneasiness. They seem to take especial pleasure in being in Mr. Thurber's room, and the private secretary has his apartment adcaned now with a variety of rattraps that would do credit to a World's fair exhibition. But even then the trouble is not overcome.—Boston Advertiser.

#### HUMORS OF BANN PUBLISHING.

to of Marriages That Have easly Interrupted. A few years ago a ludicrous, albeit us, incident occurred at a church vexatious, incident occurred at a church in Larkhall. A rustic couple, after having had the banns published the prescribed number of times, proceeded to the church to be joined in holy wedlock. The service was conducted without a hitch until the officiating clergyman arrived at that part where he asked, "William Wisher, wilt thou have this woman to be thy wedded wife," when the bridegroom realied with some astonishment groom replied with some astonishment

that his name was not William Wisher. The ceremony was of course suspended, and on investigation being made as to the cause of the mistake it transpired that the bridegroom had written to the sexton of the church requesting him to have the banns published, and concluded his letter thus, "So no more from your well wisher and Mary Williams." exton, supposing that William Wisher was the name of the intending Benedict, published the banns accordingly, and the disappointed couple were compelled to await the publication of the banns in their proper names.

The precentor of a country parish church near Arbroath one Sunday announced from his place that "there was a solemn purpose of marriage between Alexander Spink of Fisher's loan and Elspeth Hackett of Burn wynd," when the parish beadle, who was something of a character, suddenly arose and unceremoniously interrupted the proceed-ings by exclaiming: "That's wrang! That's wrang! It's no Sanders Spink o' Fisher's loan that's gann to marry Elspeth Hackett, but Lung Sanders Spink o' Smiddy croft." The name of one of the parties had been wrongly stated in the proclamation paper, and this was the way the beadle took to correct it.

Some years ago a middle aged agricultural laborer called upon the session clerk of Alloa and asked him what the charge was for publishing the "cries"-i. e., banns of marriage-three times on reply. "An what d'ye chairge when ye tak' three Sundays to't?" was the rastic's next query. "Seven and six." answered the clerk, with an amused air. "Aye, man," rejoined the querist, "I After a moment's pause a frog ad-vances, and in an instant the wasp has or it gets. Just cry awa' till ye pay yer-

And he took his departure without more ado.-London Tit-Bits.

Milord, Miss and the Dog.

A traveler's tale of British phlegm i. told in the following terms: A Frenchman was sented in a smoking carriage and had for his companion a "milord Anglais." Enter a British miss-of course with a plaid and protruding teeth been known to take three wasps, one aft- and a Skye terrier. She sat opposite the milord. He politely informed her that she had by mistake got into a smoking small frogs, quite infants, will swallow carriage. She made not the slightest an-

The unlord threw away his cigar, much when a big relative went for him quite to the astonishment of the Frenchman. reached the next station, the milord said. with the cold dignity of his race and cast: "Madam can now change into a nonsmoking carriage. If she does not, I shall assume that she does not mind

Madam said not a word, but stared in front of her. The train went on again, and the milord lighted up. When his cigar was well alight and the train in motion, the lady bent forward, took the cigar out of the milord's mouth and threw it out of the window. The milord not only did not make any remark, but soldiers or enlisted men. The bill pro- he did not even seem disturbed. All he vides that all persons engaged in the op-eration and construction of military tel-bend over the lady, seize the Skye terdid was to wait a minute, and then to rier, which was lying in her lap, and fling it out of the window.

Of this act the lady, to the complete astonishment of the French spectator, took no notice whatever. At the next station both the lady and the milord got out, but without exchanging a word in regard to the cigar and dog incident. while the Frenchman turned over in his head an etude on the subject of "Les Anglais taciturnes."-London Spectator.

A Metal That Hardens Steel The reason that the mixture of tung-

sten with steel gives the latter so great a degree of hardness that it readily scratches glass and quartz seems to be revealed by a discovery recently made in Germany. A definitely crystallized compound of iron and tungsten has been discovered, the crystals being so hard as to scratch topaz. Tungsten is a brittle white metal, almost as heavy as gold. The crystals, remarks The Paper Trade, as formed by its combination with iron, in the proportion of one atom of iron to two of tungsten, are silver gray and very brilliant. It is thought that when tungsten is alloyed with steel some of the compound just described is formed in the mass, thereby producing the remark-able increase in the hardness of the steel. This is an interesting example of the value that one metal may lend to the other, for, until the discovery that it could be seed in hardening steel, tungsten, al-though it occurs a considerable abun-dance, was practically useless and with-out value.—New York Times.

"I thought you wild you were going to bring a friend home to dinner with

you," said Mrs. Chugwater. "He couldn't come, Samsuths. plied Mr. Chugwater as he sat down with great satisfaction to the first good dinner he had had a chance to attack for a long time.—Chicago Tribune.

Mrs. Fangle—Have you secured a lodger for your second floor yet, Mr. Goalin?

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